

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The State of the Securities Markets."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The hearing is on the nominations of Vice Admiral Thomas J. Barrett, USCG (Ret.), to be Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, Mr. Ronald Spoehel, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Rear Admiral William G. Sutton, Jr., USN (Ret.), to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, U.S. Department of Commerce, and Mr. Paul R. Brubaker, to be Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this hearing is to examine three major consumer protection and fraud prevention issues under the jurisdiction of the Federal Trade Commission: 1. The effectiveness of the national Do-Not-Call registry and current legislative proposals to improve the Do-Not-Call Implementation Act of 2003; 2. The effectiveness of CROA and possible legislative initiatives to clarify the language of the act; and 3. Telemarketing fraud, particularly against older Americans.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on renewable fuels infrastructure.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, in order to conduct a business meeting.

The meeting will consider the following agenda:

Bill to reauthorize the provision of technical assistance to small public water systems, S. 1429; Ban Asbestos in America Act, S. 742; Toxic Right to Know Protection Act, S. 595; California waiver decision deadline bill, S. 1785; National Infrastructure Improvement Act, S. 775; The Multinational Species Conservation Funds reauthorizations, HR 50 and HR 465; The Captive Primate Safety Act, S. 1498; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Resolutions; Nomination of Robert Lyle Laverty to be Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, U.S. Department of the Interior; Nomination of Robert Lance Boldrey nominee for reappointment to the Board of Trustees for the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to hear testimony on "Carried Interest, Part II."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. in order to hold a hearing on nuclear energy and nonproliferation challenges.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Evaluating the Propriety and Adequacy of the Oxycontin Criminal Settlement" on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in the Dirksen Senate Office Building room 226.

Witness list:

Panel I: John L. Brownlee, United States Attorney, Western District of Virginia, Roanoke, VA;

Panel II: Marianne Skolek, LPN, Myrtle Beach, SC; Vikramaditya Khanna, Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, MI; Sidney M. Wolfe, M.D., Director, Public Citizen's Health Research

Group, Washington, DC; Virginia Pagano, Police Officer, Philadelphia Police Department, Narcotics Bureau, Philadelphia, PA; Jay P. McCloskey, Former U.S. Attorney, Maine, McCloskey, Mina, Cunniff & Dilworth, LLC, Portland, ME; James Campbell, M.D., Professor of Neurosurgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 31, to conduct a hearing on DoD/VA collaboration and cooperation and the education needs of returning service members. The committee will meet in Dirksen 562, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ANTITRUST, COMPETITION POLICY, AND CONSUMER RIGHTS

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights be authorized to meet on Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at 10 a.m. in order to conduct a hearing entitled "The Leegin Decision: the end of the consumer discounts or good antitrust policy" in room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Witness list: Pamela Jones Harbour, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission Washington, DC; Robert Pitofsky, Sheehy Professor of Antitrust Law and Regulation, Georgetown University Law School, Washington, DC; Marcy Syms, Chief Executive Officer, SYMS, Secaucus, NJ; Stephan Bolerjack, Attorney at Law, Dykema Gossett PLLC, Representing the National Association of Manufacturers, Detroit, MI; and Janet L. McDavid, Attorney at Law, Hogan & Hartson, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Emily Wieneke and Molly Gallentine be granted floor privileges during the debate on H.R. 976.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF PROGRAMS UNDER THE SMALL BUSINESS ACT AND THE SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT ACT

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate

proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 3206, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3206) to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through December 15, 2007, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3206) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROGER W. SANT

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Rules Committee be discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 7 and that the Senate then proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the joint resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A joint resolution (S.J. Res. 7) providing for the reappointment of Roger W. Sant as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the joint resolution be read three times, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that any statements relating to the joint resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The joint resolution (S.J. Res. 7) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S.J. RES. 7

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in accordance with section 5581 of the Revised Statutes (20 U.S.C. 43), the vacancy on the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, in the class other than Members of Congress, occurring because of the expiration of the term of Roger W. Sant of Washington, D.C., as filled by the reappointment of Roger W. Sant, for a term of 6 years, effective October 25, 2007.

PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF PATRICIA Q. STONESIFER

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Rules Committee be discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 8 and that the Senate then proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the joint resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A joint resolution (S.J. Res. 8) providing for the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the joint resolution be read three times, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that any statements relating to the joint resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The joint resolution (S.J. Res. 8) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S.J. RES. 8

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in accordance with section 5581 of the Revised Statutes (20 U.S.C. 43), the vacancy on the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, in the class other than Members of Congress, occurring because of the expiration of the term of Patricia Q. Stonesifer of Washington, is filled by the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer, for a term of 6 years, effective December 22, 2007.

PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN DARFUR, SUDAN

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 276, and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 276) calling for the urgent deployment of a robust and effective multinational peacekeeping mission with sufficient size, resources, leadership and mandate to protect civilians in Darfur, Sudan, and efforts to strengthen renewal of a just and conclusive peace process.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. TESTER. I ask unanimous consent the amendment to the resolution be agreed to, the resolution, as amended, be agreed to, the amendment to the preamble, which is at the desk, be considered and agreed to, the preamble, as amended, be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid on the table en bloc, and that any statements related thereto be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 2591) was agreed to, as follows:

On page 8, line 9, strike "and".

On page 8, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

(5) urges all participants in the conflict in Darfur, including the leaders of rebel movements that were not signatories to the Darfur Peace Agreement, to participate fully in all meetings, conferences, and discussions

within a political process led by the United Nations and African Union in order to return peace and security to the people of Darfur;

(6) regards failure to participate in such meetings, conferences, and discussions, as requested by the African Union and United Nations, as an obstruction of the political process and its goals that may be worthy of international sanctions; and

On page 8, line 10, strike "(5)" and insert "(7)".

The resolution (S. Res. 276), as amended, was agreed to.

The amendment to the preamble (No. 2592) was agreed to, as follows:

Purpose: (To urge all participants in the conflict in Darfur to engage in a political process led by the United Nations and African Union, to express disapproval of failure to participate in such political process, and for other purposes)

In the twelfth whereas clause, insert "and members of his administration" after "al-Bashir".

Strike the seventeenth whereas clause and insert the following:

Whereas the United Nations and African Union have invited leaders of the rebel movements in Darfur to participate in a political process led by the United Nations and African Union to return peace and stability to the people of Darfur;

Whereas deliberately targeting civilians and people providing humanitarian assistance during an armed conflict is a flagrant violation of international humanitarian law, and those who commit such violations must be held accountable; and

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, with its preamble, as amended, reads as follows: (The resolution will be printed in a future edition of the RECORD.)

NATIONAL FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY

Mr. TESTER. I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to consideration of S. Res. 285, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 285) designating September 9, 2007, as "National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day."

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. TESTER. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 285) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 285

Whereas the term "fetal alcohol spectrum disorders" includes a broader range of conditions and therefore has replaced the term "fetal alcohol syndrome" as the umbrella term describing the range of effects that can occur in an individual whose mother drank alcohol during pregnancy;